

January 28, 2014

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Expanding the Economic and Innovation Opportunities of Spectrum Through  
Incentive Auctions, GN Docket No. 12-268*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 27, 2014, Scott Bergmann, Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Krista L. Witanowski, Assistant Vice President, Regulatory Affairs of CTIA – The Wireless Association® (“CTIA”); together with Tom Dombrowsky, Senior Engineering Advisor, Wiley Rein LLP; Eric DeSilva, and Jessica Lyons of Wiley Rein LLP (counsel to CTIA); and Lonna Thompson, Executive Vice President, Chief Operating Officer, and General Counsel for the Association of Public Television Stations; met with Gary Epstein, Senior Advisor and Chair of the Incentive Auction Task Force; Rachel Kazan of the Incentive Auction Task Force; William Lake, Chief, Media Bureau (“MB”); Sarah Whitesell, Deputy Chief, MB; Barbara Kreisman, Chief, Video Division, MB; Dorann Bunkin, MB; Kevin Harding, MB; Roger Sherman, Acting Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (“WTB”); John Leibovitz, Deputy Bureau Chief, WTB; Jessica Almond, Chief of Staff, WTB; Brett Tarnutzer, Assistant Bureau Chief, WTB; Jonathan McCormack, WTB; Sasha Javid, WTB; and Elizabeth Andrion of the Office of Strategic Planning & Policy Analysis. Participating via telephone were Eddie Hernandez and Francis Wilkinson of KJLA-TV (“KJLA”); James Downey, Advisor to KJLA; Alan Popkin of KLCS-TV (“KLCS”); and Charles Ellis, Ellis Engineering (consultant to CTIA).

CTIA, KJLA, and KLCS announced an agreement that will allow KJLA and KLCS to conduct a pilot project to explore the feasibility of broadcast channel sharing. CTIA has agreed to provide equipment and consulting services to facilitate this project. Under the agreement, KLCS will serve as the “host” station for KJLA’s content. The parties outlined the various phases of testing they have contemplated, and noted their expectation that this testing will yield critically important data to the FCC and other parties interested in undertaking their own channel sharing efforts.

The parties discussed their plans to file a request for Special Temporary Authority that will enable them to commence the channel sharing pilot. They noted that by authorizing the channel sharing pilot, the Commission will arm both itself and potential auction participants with the information necessary to make informed decisions and to promote a productive channel sharing system. The parties expressed their hope that they would commence the pilot as soon as FCC approval is obtained and conduct testing throughout the first quarter of 2014.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter is being electronically filed via ECFS with your office. Please direct any questions to the undersigned.

Sincerely,

*/s/ Krista L. Witanowski*

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